ELIZABETH BROWNLEE

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Sustainable Farmer / Writer

Education

M.S. of Botany / University of Vermont / 2013

Master's project helped conservationists connect with farmers regarding alternative streamside farming practices that care for the river and produce perennial crops like elderberry.

B.A. with focus in Biology / Hanover College / 2009

Woman of the Year - 2009

Experience

Nightfall Farm

Owner and Operator / 2014 - Present

Together with husband, Nate, raises a diversity of livestock using rotational grazing practices that build up the health of the soil. Two EQIP contracts have helped restore their farmland.

Farms on Liz's family farmland (about 250 acres of forest, pastures, and wetlands). Approximately 80 acres are enrolled in CRP and WRP.

Sells meat locally to chefs and directly to customers via farmers markets and their community supported agriculture program.

Oak Heritage Conservancy

Executive Director / 2015 - Present

Coordinates creation of nature preserves in southeast Indiana, including stewardship, education efforts, fundraising, and membership for this growing non-profit organization.

Hoosier Young Farmers Coalition

President / 2018 - Present

Leadership team member / 2016 - 2018

Helps beginning farmers network and build community as they grow their farm businesses across Indiana.